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Reciprocally of interconfessional cooperation of foreign students and host populations: From the consent to the conflict

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Abstract

Republic of Tatarstan is one of the largest educational centers not only of Povolzhye, but also of Russia. This is stipulated by the fact that on its territory are located the most well-known large Russian educational institutions that provide quality services reflecting need of foreign students and countries that sent them. In the Republic are created all conditions for adaptation of this category of students. But in connection to recent occurrence of new risks and threats that flourish in global world community, amplification of political and social-economic instability in the world, stipulating growth of anxiety, in social consciousness again is actualizing the theme of study and analysis of complex of problems of inter-confessional interactions between foreign students and host population. Article is dedicated to study of contradictions between settings and anticipations of foreign students and their real practices on territory of multi-confessional region and their impact on social tension. In connection to this, the main objective of this research became detection of preconditions for occurrence of conflict situations on religious ground, potential and actual sources in ethnic-confessional and inter-confessional conflicts. In article is considered model of peace and conciliation, realized by Tatarstan, as one of possible variants of their prevention. Article is written by materials of applicative sociological research. In it is shown analysis of opinions of foreign students studying in HEIs on territory of the Republic of Tatarstan, about problems of their interrelations in this multi-confessional region. Certain peculiarities of their consciousness and attitude to issue of tolerance are detected. Possible consequences both for local population and to foreign students at divergence of their perception with reality are described. Forecast estimation of scenarios occurring at disturbance of interconfessional balance is given.

Keywords

Conflict, Interconfessional interaction, Liberality, Migration, Neo-institutionalism, Religious identity, Social tension, Tolerance